It Is Up To Ritchie To Get Busy Soon

Champion Cannot Hold Off Lightweights Who Are Clamoring for Matches Too Long-Russian Enters Ranks of the "White Hopes." By T. S. ANDREWS.

Jim Coffroth, the San Francisco promoter, has the right dope on a return match between Willie Ritchie and Ad Wolgast. Jim says they will draw over \$50,000 and the chances are it will go nearer \$60,000. And still when you stop to think of it, the amount is not so great for a 20 round championship battle considering that the sale of sents for the proposed Wolgast-McParland bout, scheduled for Milwankee in 1911, and which was stopped, reached the enormous safe of reached the enormous safe of \$55,000 for a 10 round no decision affair. Wolgast has a right to demand another hattle, for while he lost on a four in the 15th round, there is still some uncertainty as to what the outcome would have been had it continued. There are those who witnessed the contest who will want to be there again and thousands of others who will may big money to see the two in ac-tion once more. No doubt Coffroth will bring them together if such a thing is possible. Next to the Wolgast-Ritchie affair a Wolgast-Rivers bout looks pretty swell. Rivers, like Wol-gast, had a very unsatisfactory enging to a most important bout—the one with Wolgast—the latter winning on an alteged knockout when fouls were claimed by both sides. It would be a great battle over again, and would do much to settle the question of the

Freddy Welsh's cleancut victory ever Hughle Mebegan, the Australian



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Therefore, it is up to Ritchie to get the world's title. The California clubs will go nesser \$60,000. And still when you stop to think of it, the amount is not so great for a 20 round championship battle considering that the little can be found to the chances are the will go nesser \$60,000. And still when you stop to think of it, the amount is not so great for a 20 round championship battle considering that the

ting into the boxing game these days. There are Yankees, English, Irish, Weish, Scotch, Canadian, French, Ger-There are Yankees, English, Irish, Welsh, Scotch, Canadian, Frenck, German, Australian and Danes, but the latest to get into the fistic arena is a Russian—Jack Leon by his known American name—and who came over as a wrestler. Two years ago Leon wrestled about the country, meeting all the big fellows, including Roller, Gotch and Zbysako. He was a giant in stature and Mark Shaughnessy, the San Francisco boxing promoter and manager, caught a glimpse of him. After sising up his 6 feet, 21-2 inches of beef and muscle he concluded that he could make a fighter of him. Leon weighs 212 pounds and has a reach of 84 inches. Mark taught him the art for six months and when he did spring him on the public in the far west, "Soldier" Elder and "Gunboat" Smith are said to have side stepped. Now Mark is on his way east with him and intends to try to force matches with the white hopes in New York and other towns. "He can whip all of them, Palzer and McCarty included," says Mark, We must wait and watch for results.

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There are many inconsistent people in this world, but it is doubtful if there are more to be found in any line of sport than as regards the boxing game. Can you beat this for inconsistency. The mayor of indianapolis insists that he will stop the boxing bouts in that city, unless the boxers put more vim into their work. In other words, he insists on having more fighting and less of the hypodrome. In Cleveland, O., the mayor of that city says he will stop the game unless the boxers act a little more gentlemanity toward one another, and do less slugging, or in other words, he wants more of the hypodrome and less of the real article. The two states are not far apart, but the two mayors are certainly about as wide in their difference as it is possible to get them. It is the old story of the boxing game being the built for all would be reformers and cranks of all kinds. Another case which brings the boxing game into this discussion comes from Fond du Las, Wiz. In that city some of the Feal good people have objected to the boxing game, but they have all kinds of praise for basketonii.

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It might be well to quote an item from one of the newspaper articles in that city in relation to the game played between the Co. E team and the Oshkosh Normal. The item referred to states: "The game was the roughest played here in years and many of the players were injured. Henry Rueping had his shoulder dislocated and Rasmussen had his nose broken. La Pine, Porlier and Heller, all of Oshkosh, had to be carried from the floor unconscious, but later they ravived and were allowed to play again." Can you beat that for a nice game of basketball? scious, but later they revived and were allowed to play again." Can you beat that for a nice game of basketball? Who ever heard of so many men being injured at one boxing show, or in fact, in 1000 boxing shows. I have been writing sports for 25 years and in all that time, I have never heard of so many injuries in boxing matches I have witnessed and they number into the hundreds and thousands, as in this one game of basketball at Fond du Lac. It is about time that some of these people who are always knocking at boxing, took a tumble and turned their guns in another direction. If they did, they might possibly hit some of the games such as football, basketball, automobile racing and automobile pole, not to mention aviation.

HUGGINS MAKES \$4000 OFFER FOR OUTFIELDER SHECKARD Chicago, Ill., Dec. 26.—Miller Hug-glins, manager of the St. Louis Nation-ais, has offered the Chicago Nationals \$4000 for outfielder Jimmie Sheckard. Owner Murphy is considering the offer. He previously had attempted to trade Sheckard to St. Louis for pitchers.

HYLAND LOSES DECISION TO PAL BROWN, OF MINNESOTA Calgary, Alta, Dec. 26.—Pal Brown, of Hibbing, Minn., was given the decision over Dick Hyland, of California, after 15 rounds of hard fighting. Until the 14th round bonors were even. In that round Hyland was knocked down twice.

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English Fighters Return To Ol' Lunnon

Morgan Is Bound to Make a Hit Upon His Return Here and Will have no Difficulty in Getting Matches. By ED. CURLEY.

EW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 26 .- gan will give any rival in this country English battlers to sail for home to spend the holidays and also to gather in a few quid, shilling

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gan will give any rival in this country all he desires.

Morgan can be considered in the class with those English stars, Jim Driscoll. Owen Moran, Bembardler Wells and Freddie Welsh. And these babies made many sluggers step around lively to get under cover.

Morgan is engaged to box Digger Stanley in England the middle of next month. After that affair he will return and seek to coax champion Johnny Kilbane in a match before the latter faces Johnny Dundee in April. Morgan is bound to make a hit wherever he battles, and will have no difficulty in getting matches, unless the ty in getting matches, unless the

laurels.

Morgan came over a bantamweight, but his manager, Jeems Johnson, Ted him so well that he is now a recognized member of the featherweight

BROWN WINS FROM GRADWELL, New York, N. Y., Dec. 26.—"Knock-out" Brown, of New York, defeated Young Gradwell, of Newark, in a 10-round bout in Brooklyn, the referee stopping the contest in the seventh

PURDUE COACH IS DEAD. Madison, Wis., Dec. 26.—John E. Moll., nown as "Keckle" Moll., Purdue's

LITTLE WILLIE SAWTHE MOVIES

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NO EDUCATION!

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ZBYSZKO WINS MATCH FROM CHAS. CUTLER

Boston, Mass., Dec. 16 .- Charles Cutler, of Chicago, claimant to the world's heavy weight wrestling championship, lost in two successive falls to Zbyszko, the European champion, last night, the European champion, last night. The first fall came at the end of one hour and 12 minutes, after both men had thrice tumbled out of the ring. What appeared to some of the spectators as a blow on the shin given by Zbyszko, resulted in Cutler falling to the mat with the European on log, and the mat with the European on top, and the fall was given to Zbyszko. The second fall was secured in 13 minutes 10 seconds, with a head over shoulders

BICYCLISTS ARE NEARING END OF 10,000 MILE RACE

Atlanta, Ga. Dec. 26.—Herbert Galiussler, representative of the United States in the 10,000 mile bigycle road race now on in this country, reached here hast night. Gahassler, who is in the load, will leave today on his way to New York, where the race will end. Six entrants, representing the United States, Austria, France, Egypt, Russla and Germany, left Newark, N. J., on April 19, in the race. The Russlan entrant dropped out, leaving five riders still competing for the first prize of \$2500. Gahassler thus far has covered more than \$900 miles.

gan wins the prize. His blocking is coach this year died at a hospital here had to combat floating ice, every conaimost perfect, and aided by a snappy after a short illness from typhoid felleft jab that very soldom misses, Morver.

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Veterans and Recruits Sign Contracts

New York Highlanders Have Many New Men Signed Up for Next Season-Gossip About Big League Players.

EW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 36.—There is yet some faint hope for the dear old pastime, in spite of a lot of people and things, including the National league. Above the hum of Cobbs; above the loud, monetary shricks of Reeshard de Marquis de Marquar', and even above the stentorious breathing of the impressive Ban B. Johnson, we hear the faint scratch scratch of pens crawling along paper. The holdouts of the future are signing. lot of people and things, including the National league. Above the hum of Ty Cobb's conversation about the Cobbs; above the loud, monetary shricks of Reeshard de Marquis de Marquar, and even above the stentorious breathing of the impressive Ban B. Johnson, we hear the faint scratch scratch of pens crawling along paper. The holdouts of the future are signing their contracts.

You do not know one J. Finley at tis time, perhaps; or H. Martin, or Orion. You do not know them now, we say, but there may come a time when they will be muttering ten and fifteen thousand dollars with all the nonchalance of old George Non Chai

These young men are new recruits just signed up by the New York Yankees, which is the club that has recently been gaining notoriety through an attempt to ally itself with Frank Chance, of Glendora, Cal.

Finley and Orton are infielders, and B. Martin is a pitcher. Also, he is said to be quite some pitcher, too. Of Finley and Orton not so much is know, but they are undoubtedly second somebodys.

By DAMON RUNYON. -

Charley Dooin, manager of the Phil-Hes, is now after Roger Bresnahan, or Johnny Kling. It's a wise manager that knows his own catching.

that knows his own catching.

If Artic Shafer doesn't report, and Fletcher doesn't come up to requirements, and Heine Gron and Milton Stock are sold, there will be a fine chance for Harold McCormick to horn in at the short field next season.

Among those on whom McGraw has not asked for waivers schedule the name of Charles Lincoln Herzog, the canteloupe king of Ridgeley, Md., who is now said to be engaged in studying agriculture at Cornell with a view to gathering knowledge bearing upon the breeding of salted almonds or something.

The Yanks have many more recruits than the Giants to try out this coming spring. McGraw had his acouts specialize on pitchers and aside from his mound recruits has only two other youngsters booked for Marlin in February, who were not with the club last fall—and these two were with him last spring. The Yanks have infield, outfield, pitching and catching ma-

A Little Sport; A Little Gossip

A about his ability to know down in the ring, visited a Chi-Joe Hertzberg, and that he worked with Young Saylor in Indianapolis as a sparring partner. His hands went on to say that he can make 126 and is willing to meet any battler in the world at a figure within eight pounds of that weight. of that weight.

A deal has been completed by which Mordecal Brown returns to the big league, and Larry McLean, catcher for the Cincinnati Reds for a number of seasons, will become a member of the Louisville club. Tinker believes that Brown still has a couple of seasons of major league service in his good right arm, and it is thought that Larry McLean will set the American association on fire with his hitting and catching.

Fifty women bowlers, of New York, were awarded prizes yesterday for proficiency in this branch of sport.

Floyd Fitzsimmons, Boston Harbor boxing promoter, is in Chicago trying to close a 10 round engagement between Howard Morrow and George 'K. O. Brown, for the afternoon of

January 1.

Jess Willard, who claims he whipped Luther McCarty, fights One Round Davis in Buffalo on New Year's day. After this battle he will go west and demand a fight with the Palser-McCarty winner and other heavies.

A new world's bowling record for a two man team was set by Ralph Stough and Jack Sell in a Canton, O., tournament. They rolled 1,412. The best previous record for a two man team in three games was 1,304, made by Al and Tony Schwoegler, of Madison, Wils, in 1905, in the American Bowling congress. tournament in Pittsburg. congress tournament in Pittsburg. Stough's scores were 275, 268, 242, to-tal, 785; Sell's, 214, 198, 216, total, 628. * * *

Joe Tinker secured his berth in Cincinnati through a holdover promise by Garry Herrmann at the time the latter was closing negotiations with Hank O'Day for last year's management job. This came out when the Cincinnati president was asked why he had not considered Chance for manager of the Reds. Tinker was promised, it appears, that he would be given priority in consideration when the squestion of a Cincinnati manager again came to the fore, and accordingly the Chicago shortatop obtained the call on the position when the president of the Reds decided upon a change this fall,

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Fuzzy Woodruff is picking the greatest 25 Southern league players. He names Him Delahanty as No. 11. Among other things. Woodruff says: "Jim Delahanty had a remarkable Southern league reord. He put the town of Little Rock on the map and also wiped it off. All of which is some considerable feat for even a demon athonic St. Phone 2318 siderable feat for even a demen ath-lete of Jim's provess. Even judge

A mute, 'who told with his hands about his ability to knock 'em down in the ring, visited a Chicago gymnasium and asked for a chance to show his prowess with the gloves. He signaled that his name is Joe Hertzberg, and that he worked

left, Little Rock was helpless."

"I had no idea that the National league would let Chance go," said Clark Griffith, the Washington manager, "because in my opinion, he is the best manager in the country. The American league has made a 10 strike this time. Chance will build up a winner in New York, and I predict that within two years he will have his team in the world's series. I played on the same team with him in Chicago the same team with him in Chicago and know him like a book. He plays no favorites. He enforces the rules of discipline and is somewhat rough with his men on the bench. But a squarer, bigger hearted man never lived. There isn't a ball player who ever served under him that will deny this. I have congratulated both Chance and Frank Farrell upon the deal that will benefit both and put the American league on top in New York." the same team with him in Chicago

SWIMMERS COMBATICE, BUT

PINISH EXCITING RACES

Boston, Mass., Dec. 26.—Nearly a score of hardy nihietes plunged into the freezing waters of Dorchester bay and competed in 25, 50 and 100-yard swimming races. Although the men mad to combat floating ice, every contestant finished, good time being made in each of the Average of this sidelivery as has Russell Ford. pany teams. This is the second of three games to be played, the first game having been won by the Sheltons and the second by the Rio Grande bank. Ceril Philips and W. O. Stevens each scored a goal for their teams, but, owing to a foul made by Mendenhall, of the Shelton team, the game was given to the bank.

Jockey Shelton played sub for the Sheltons, Frank Nelson having been sick when the game was called. The lineup:

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Bank team—Henry H. Smith, first rush: Charles Mitchell, right guard: W. O. Stevens, left guard; Harry Lopez, center; S. F. Wharton, guard. Shelton-Payne team—Frank Nelson, right guard; Cecil Philips, center; Fred Mendenhall, first rush; Jockey Sheldon, right guard; Lew Nash, guard.

Something neloyed by the guests was the two mile relay race, ran last night between Harry Lopez and J. Mendenhall against Joe Roomy and Harry. Smith. The latter team won by a close margin.

LANGFORD WINS FROM SAM MeVEA

Sydney, Australia, Dec. 26.—Sam Langford knocked out Sam McVes in the 13th round today in one of the fiercest heavyweight battles seen in Australia in years.

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By Tom McNamara



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Shrimp Is Like All Boys Before Christmas

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AND I'M AFRAID EMILY WILL CATCH ME AND

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ID BETTER DUCK AWAY FROM HER. EMILY MORTON MUST BE SOMEWHERES AROUND



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WE NEVER SAW OUR NEIGH-BORHOOD SO QUIET BUT, OF COURSE

THERE'S A REASON! SKINNY SHANERS GOOGLY

DEPARTMENT answer to yesterdays WHY IS A COP LIKE A RAIN BOW ? BECAUSE HE IS ALMAYS AROUND AFTER THE

Here's to-days WHY IS A EAGLE LIKE A CARPENTER

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